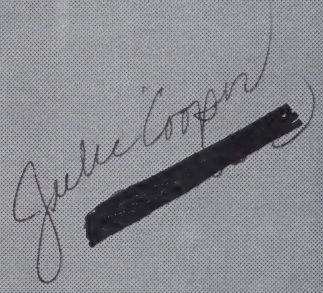

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An Appeal from ...

EPOColorado
The Equal Protection Campaign

These "values" groups ...

How far will they go to embarrass Colorado?

How far will they go to dictate their moral and religious views to everyone else?

How far will they go to foist personal prejudices on the rest of us?

Who will they target next?

Don't let this bigotry take root in Colorado's Constitution.

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- ☐ *I oppose CFV's amendment and support the efforts of EPOColorado.*
- ☐ *Enclosed is my check, payable to EPOColorado.*
- ☐ *You may use my name.*

Printed Name _____ **Organization (if any)** _____

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Racism and Hate Crimes Are on the Rise

There is a resurgence of the far right agenda in this country — bringing an increase in the number of tragedies growing out of racism, anti-Semitism, and privacy issues. Intolerance has led to a rise in hate crimes of all kinds.

From its power base in Orange County, CA, a right-wing umbrella organization called Traditional Values Coalition (TVC) spawns chapters around the country that ignite hatred against gay and lesbian people. Well-funded and well-organized, the TVC supports its clone groups with strategies and materials.

Colorado is one of their targets. With backing from the TVC, *Coloradans for Family Values* (CFV) has set up shop in Colorado Springs. Their goal is simple: Institutionalize intolerance by writing discriminatory language into our state Constitution.

CFV is circulating petitions to write prejudice into the Colorado Constitution with an amendment denying civil rights protection to gay and lesbian Coloradans. If CFV's petition drive is successful, the amendment will be on the general election ballot in November 1992.

Don't Let It Start in Colorado

If the CFV has its way, Colorado will be the first state to write discrimination into its Constitution...

Here is the language from CFV's proposed amendment to the Colorado Constitution. *Help EPOC keep this from becoming law!*

> Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:
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> Article 2, of the Colorado Constitution is amended by the addition of Sec. 30, which shall state as follows:
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> NO PROTECTED STATUS BASED ON HOMOSEXUAL, LESBIAN OR BISEXUAL ORIENTATION. Neither the State of Colorado, through any of its branches or departments, nor any of its agencies, political subdivisions, municipalities or school districts, shall enact, adopt or enforce any statute, regulation, ordinance or policy whereby homosexual, lesbian, or bisexual orientation, conduct, practices or relationships shall constitute or otherwise be the basis of, or entitle any person or class of persons to have or claim any minority status, quota preferences, protected status or claim of discrimination. This Section of the Constitution shall be in all respects self-executing.

Don't Let CFV Trample on Colorado's Home Rule

If successful, this amendment certainly would set Colorado on the wrong course. It would set the dangerous precedent of barring citizens from being able to pass laws for their own cities and towns. This amendment is a direct threat on the home rule or local control that many of Colorado's municipalities treasure.

Take a Stand Against the Politics of Hatred

Imagine! Colorado! The first state in the nation to write discrimination into the Constitution. Don't let that happen!

Join with EPOColorado — the Equal Protection Campaign — and oppose the proposed CFV amendment. *Take a stand against discrimination and hatred!*

What Can I Do?

Colorado has a proud tradition of establishing and protecting individuals' Constitutional rights. Let's not change that! Support EPOColorado in the fight to keep discriminatory language out of the Colorado Constitution.

- Call EPOColorado and offer your support. (303) 839-5540.
- Let your name be used in EPOColorado's fight by completing the attached form and returning it today.
- Make a financial contribution to the campaign. Please complete and send the attached form along with your check (payable to EPOC) to: EPOColorado, Box 300476, Denver, CO 80203.
- Volunteer in the EPOColorado state headquarters or call us to start a group in your town.